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SUBJECT: GAERC DEMARCHES ON SRI LANKAN IDPS; ARMENIA,  
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1. (SBU) On September 11, Post delivered reftel points to Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs Director for EU External Relations Minister Michele Esposito. Minister Esposito, who deals with all GAERC-related issues, noted that there is no item pertaining to Sri Lanka on the September 14-15 GAERC FM meeting agenda and added that the agendas are finalized and sent 10 days in advance .

2. (SBU) Post also delivered points regarding updating the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement (PCA) between the EU and Georgia, and those on increasing trade and investment between the EU and Armenia and Azerbaijan under the Eastern Partnership (EAP) initiative. Esposito commented that the GAERC discussions on Georgia will include reinforcing the PCA and establishing a mandate for concluding a Free Trade Agreement with Georgia. Esposito stressed that Italy fully supports increasing trade and investment with Armenia and Azerbaijan under the EAP umbrella.  
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